City of West Buechel
Public Hearing
Assembly Hall
3705 Bashford Avenue
Louisville, KY 40218
August 13, 2020 6:30 PM

Attending: Mayor Brenda Moore, Councilman John Campbell, Attorney, Mark Hall, Councilwoman Bonnie Manning, Councilwoman Danielle Wood, Councilwoman Ashley Stewart, Councilwoman Evelyn Saldana, Councilwoman Wilson, Attorney, Mary Hall and City Clerk, Debbie Batliner.

Mayor Moore called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 pm.

Mayor Moore opened the floor for public comment regarding the 20-21 Ad Valorem Tax Rate.

Mr. Toby Clark stated that while he was on council, they never voted to raise taxes. He does not feel it is a necessity to raise taxes because the other forms of revenue are substantial enough.

Ms. Kim Richards stated that she had a petition to vote no on the tax increase. She stated that there was an increase on the insurance premium tax to 15% and that should have been enough. She does not think that it is appropriate to raise taxes in the middle of a crisis.

Mr. Paul Kubala stated that he thought this was a tyranny to raise taxes with the economic climate the way that it is. He said people are not happy, inflation, more expenses, groceries went up etc. He does not think the city is hurting for money and that the citizens are taxed enough. Do not raise taxes.

Mr. Loy Crawford stated he thought the budget was important and that there were improvements that needed to be made. Wants everyone to look at the budget to see where the money is going. He states that there is nothing done for seniors and thinks that outsiders like the clerks and police are the ones raising taxes. He stated that we are not in line with any other 5<sup>th</sup> class cities.

Mayor Moore closed the Public Hearing at 6:36 PM.

Mayor Brenda Moore

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Dehhie Batliner